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SUBJ: INTERNATIONAL MANAGEMENT AND DEVELOPMENT INSTITUTE
(IMDI) - REQUESTED INTERVIEW WITH PRESIDENT SADAT

REF: (A) CAIRO 5038, (B) STATE 036018, (C) CAIRO 2330

1. GENE BRADLEY OF INTERNATIONAL MANAGEMENT AND DEVELOPMENT INSTITUTE VISITED CAIRO APRIL 18-28 IN HOPES OF BEING RECEIVED BY PRESIDENT SADAT TO CONDUCT INTERVIEW. ACCORDING TO BRADLEY, INTERVIEW DISCUSSED WITH SAAD ZAGHLOUL NASSAR, INFORMATION DIRECTOR AT PRESIDENCY, PRIOR TO ARRIVAL, AT WHICH TIME APRIL 21-22 DATES WERE MENTIONED TO NASSAR. WE UNDERSTAND LATTER MADE NO COMMITMENT, BUT TOLD BRADLEY THOSE DATES WERE AS GOOD AS ANY OTHERS. PRESIDENCY, AS MATTER OF POLICY, WILL NOT CONFIRM MEETINGS WITH THE PRESIDENT UNTIL VISITOR IS ACTUALLY IN CAIRO.

2. WHEN BRADLEY ARRIVED, IT DEVELOPED THAT NO INTERVIEW HAD BEEN SCHEDULED. IN AN EFFORT TO HELP, USIS CONTACTED NASSAR, BUT HE NOTED PRESIDENT'S SCHEDULE FULL AND HE COULD NOT CONFIRM THAT AN INTERVIEW WOULD BE POSSIBLE.

3. USIS INFO OFFICER GREG MOFFITT THEREUPON ACCOMPANIED
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BRADLEY TO NASSAR'S OFFICE TO DISCUSS WHETHER BRADLEY SHOULD REMAIN IN CAIRO SEVERAL MORE DAYS IN HOPES OF GETTING APPOINTMENT. NASSAR INDICATED HE WAS OPTIMISTIC, HENCE BRADLEY EXTENDED HIS STAY FOR FEW DAYS. IN THE END HIS OPTIMISM WAS UNFOUNDED. ON TUESDAY, APRIL 26, SINCE AN EARLY INTERVIEW SEEMED UNLIKELY AND BRADLEY COULD STAY NO LONGER, HE CALLED ON USIS TO ASSIST WITH

TYPING SOME FOUR PAGES OF QUESTIONS WHICH WERE TO BE
PUT TO THE PRESIDENT IN WRITING. BRADLEY SAID HE WOULD
MEET WITH NASSAR AGAIN ON WEDNESDAY AND WOULD DEPART ON
THURSDAY.

4. EMBASSY DID WHAT IT COULD TO ASSIST BRADLEY ON
HIS PROJECT, BUT PERIOD HE WAS HERE WAS AN EXCEPTIONALLY
BUSY ONE FOR THE PRESIDENT. HOPEFULLY, QUESTIONS WHICH
HE LEFT BEHIND WILL BE ANSWERED.

5. WHILE IN CAIRO, BRADLEY ALSO CONFERRED WITH DCM,
AID DIRECTOR, PAO AND OTHERS ON VARIOUS MATTERS. BRADLEY'S
STAY WAS NOT ENTIRELY FUTILE, SINCE HE WAS ABLE TO INTERVIEW
A NUMBER OF EGYPTIAN OFFICIALS, WHICH WAS USEFUL TO HIM.
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